

A TRELLIS OF YOUNG CHAYOTE VINES IN FLORIDA, CHAYOTA EDULIS.

The chayote vine is so vigorous that it requires an arbor or high trellis for its successful culture. This photograph taken on June 5 shows the vines after they are well started. Before October they will completely cover the arbor. Their unique fruits are borne mainly on the inside or shady side of the arbor. Although chayote arbors are seen frequently in the West Indies, South America, and Madeira, and small private plantings of this vegetable have been maintained near New Orleans for many years, its excellent qualities are quite as unknown to the general public as though it had never been introduced. Two acres of it are now growing at the Brooksville Garden. Photograph (P19679FS) taken by P. H. Dorsett at Brooksville Field Station, June 5, 1916.